

MAT 531: Topology & Geometry, II Spring 2010

Problem Set 1

Due on Thursday, 2/4, in class

Give concise, but complete, solutions. The entire problem set should not require more than a few pages.

1. Chapter 1, #2 (p50)
2. Suppose a group G acts properly discontinuously on a smooth n -manifold \tilde{M} by diffeomorphisms. Show that the quotient topological space $M = \tilde{M}/G$ admits a unique smooth structure such that the projection map $\tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ is a local diffeomorphism.
Note: this implies that the circle, the infinite Mobius band, the Lens spaces (that are important in 3-manifold topology), the real projective space, and the tautological line bundle over it,

$$\begin{aligned} S^1 &= \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}, \quad s \sim s + 1, & MB &= (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})/\mathbb{Z}, \quad (s, t) \sim (s + 1, -t), \\ L(n, k) &= S^3/\mathbb{Z}_n, \quad (z_1, z_2) \sim (e^{2\pi i/n} z_1, e^{2\pi i k/n} z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2, \\ \mathbb{R}P^n &= S^n/\mathbb{Z}_2, \quad x \sim -x, & \gamma_n &= (S^n \times \mathbb{R})/\mathbb{Z}_2, \quad (x, t) \sim (-x, -t), \end{aligned}$$

are smooth manifolds in a natural way (k and n are relatively prime in the definition of $L(n, k)$).

3. (a) Show that the quotient topologies on $\mathbb{C}P^n$ given by $(\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - 0)/\mathbb{C}^*$ and S^{2n+1}/S^1 are the same (i.e. the map $S^{2n+1}/S^1 \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - 0)/\mathbb{C}^*$ induced by inclusions is a homeomorphism).
(b) Show that $\mathbb{C}P^n$ is a compact topological $2n$ -manifold. Furthermore, it admits a structure of a *complex* (in fact, *algebraic*) n -manifold, i.e. it can be covered by charts whose overlap maps, $\varphi_\alpha \circ \varphi_\beta^{-1}$, are holomorphic maps between open subsets of \mathbb{C}^n (and rational functions on \mathbb{C}^n).
Note: you can do this with $n+1$ charts.
(c) Show that $\mathbb{C}P^n$ contains \mathbb{C}^n , with its complex structure, as a dense open subset.
4. Chapter 1, #6 (p50) via 2nd suggested approach
5. Verify that the differential $d\psi$ of a smooth map $\psi: M \rightarrow N$, as defined in 1.22 (p16), is indeed well-defined. In other words, $d\psi(v)$ is a derivation on $\tilde{F}_{\psi(m)}$ for all $v \in T_m M$ and $m \in M$.